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Official meetings

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Security Council

- 10 a.m. 5034th meeting (closed) Economic and Social Council Chamber
1. Adoption of the agenda
 2. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission in Liberia pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B
- 11 a.m. Consultations of the whole (closed) Consultations Room
- UNMIL (S/2004/725)
- Other matters
- 3 p.m. 5035th meeting (closed) Economic and Social Council Chamber
1. Adoption of the agenda
 2. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annexes II, sections A and B

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

General Committee

- 10 a.m. 1st meeting Conference Room 4
1. Organization of work of the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: memorandum by the Secretary-General (A/BUR/59/1)
 2. Letter from the President of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly (A/59/355)



General Assembly Fifty-ninth session

General debate

(21–24 September 2004, 27 September–1 October 2004)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 3) for the general debate of the fifty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-2940B). The provisional list of speakers (No. 3) has also been sent by fax directly to the Permanent Missions (Office of the Permanent Representative). Delegations wishing to receive an electronic copy of the list are kindly requested to send an e-mail to dizon@un.org.

Delegations are reminded that in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the General Assembly, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Board of Auditors	

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Second regular session 2004

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 2
	1. Summaries of midterm reviews and major evaluations of country programmes: West and Central Africa (E/ICEF/2004/P/L.28); the Americas and Caribbean (E/ICEF/2004/P/L.29); East Asia and the Pacific (E/ICEF/2004/P/L.30); South Asia (E/ICEF/2004/P/L.31); Central and Eastern Europe; the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Baltic States (E/ICEF/2004/P/L.32); and the Middle East and North Africa (E/ICEF/2004/P/L.33)	[9]

2.	Proposals for UNICEF programme cooperation	[10]
(a)	Guatemala: draft country programme document (E/ICEF/2004/P/L.24)	
(b)	Recommendation for additional resources for approved country programmes (E/ICEF/2004/P/L.25)	
(c)	Recommendations to increase the other resources ceilings for approved country programmes (E/ICEF/2004/P/L.26)	
3.	Guidelines for Executive Board field visits (E/ICEF/2004/19)	[18]
3-6 p.m.	6th meeting	Conference Room 2
1.	Medium-term strategic plan: financial plan and related recommendation for the period 2004-2007 (E/ICEF/2004/AB/L.4)	[12]
2.	The UNICEF recovery policy: an update (E/ICEF/2004/AB/L.5)	[13]
3.	Report on internal audit activities in 2003 (E/ICEF/2004/AB/L.8)	[14]

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 50 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

3-6 p.m. Conference Room 8

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 50 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments)

Third Committee

Informal briefing

The informal briefing on the Committee's organization of work for the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly scheduled for *today*, 15 September 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3, *has been postponed*.

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informals"

There will be informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Ulrika Cronenberg-Mossberg (Sweden), on draft resolution E/2004/L.39 on the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries (item 6 (b)), *today*, 15 September 2004, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

There will be informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), on international cooperation in tax matters (item 13 (h)), *today*, 15 September 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

There will be informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Xolisa Mfundiso Mabhongo (South Africa), on the draft resolution contained in the report of the

Commission on Science and Technology for Development (E/2004/31), *today*, 15 September 2004, from 5 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

**Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme
and of the United Nations Population Fund**
Informal consultations

In preparation for the second regular session 2004 of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund, informal consultations on the United Nations Capital Development Fund will be held *today*, 15 September 2004, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 15 September 2004

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

League of Arab States

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) (New York Committee)

10.15 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (draft Ministerial Declaration)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Eastern European Group (at the expert level)

11 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room A

UNITAR general briefing for new delegates to the General Assembly

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/pressg/conf.htm.

Wednesday, 15 September 2004**Room S-226**

Guests at 12 noon

Ms. Safiye Cagar, Director of Information and External Relations, United Nations Population Fund; and Ms. Jill Sheffield, President of Family Care International (on the State of the World Population Report)

2.15 p.m.

Mr. Palitha Kohona, Chief of the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs; Mr. Mark Bowden, Chief of the Policy Development and Studies Branch of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA); and Ms. Cate Steains, OCHA Policy Advisor (on "Focus 2004: Treaties on the Protection of Civilians" (21-24 September))

Forthcoming official meetings**General Assembly****Second Committee**

The Second Committee will hold its first meeting on Thursday, 16 September 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1, to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in A/C.2/59/L.1.

The Committee will also begin its general debate on Monday, 4 October 2004, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second Committee, will be open on Monday, 20 September 2004. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (tel. 1 (212) 963-8429; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail olvida@un.org)).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Security Council**Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)**

On Thursday, 16 September 2004, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004) will hold a briefing for all interested Member States on the work of the Committee. For further information, please contact Mr. Ionut Suseanu, Permanent Mission of Romania (tel. 1 (212) 682-3274; e-mail ionut.suseanu@romania.un.org) or the Secretariat focal point, Mr. Jeremy Farrall (tel. 1 (212) 963-2475; e-mail: farrall@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Informal consultations

Informal consultations, convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Ms. Marjatta Rasi (Finland), will be held on Thursday, 16 September 2004, at 3.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, on issues before the resumed substantive session for 2004.

Resumed substantive session 2004

The Economic and Social Council will convene a meeting of its resumed substantive session 2004, on Thursday, 16 September 2004, immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Second regular session 2004

Informal consultations Informal consultations on maternal mortality in West and Central Africa will take place on Thursday, 16 September 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Second regular session 2004

The second regular session 2004 of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund will be held from Monday to Friday, 20 to 24 September 2004, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2004/L.3.

Informal consultations In preparation for the second regular session 2004 of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund, informal consultations on strategic cost management will be held on Thursday, 16 September 2004, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 8. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal high-level meeting

An informal high-level meeting on "Achieving the Millennium Development Goals in Africa: Paving the way for action in 2005 and beyond", sponsored by the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, will be held on Thursday, 23 September, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Other forthcoming meetings

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UNITAR briefings on the General Assembly

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing the following briefings for delegates from Permanent Missions attending a session of the General Assembly for the first time:

1. *General briefing on the work of the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly:* on Thursday, 16 September 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1
2. *Special briefing on the work of the Second Committee:* Friday, 17 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6
3. *Special briefing on the work of the Fifth Committee:* Friday, 17 September, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6
4. *Special briefing on the work of the Third Committee:* Monday, 20 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Briefing and panel discussion on the *African Economic Outlook*

There will be a briefing on the *African Economic Outlook* by the African Development Bank and the OECD Development Centre, on Thursday, 16 September 2004, from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The briefing, co-sponsored by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), will be followed by a panel discussion, to be chaired by Ms. Yvette Stevens, Director of OSAA. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. David C. O'Connor, Division for Sustainable Development, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4677; e-mail occonnor3@un.org).

Group of 77

The Group of 77 will hold a closed meeting on Friday, 17 September 2004, from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to hear a briefing by Prof. Jeffrey Sachs, Special Advisor to the Secretary-General on the Millennium Development Goals and Director, United Nations Millennium Project, on "Making the MDGs operational: The emerging recommendations of the United Nations Millennium Project".

Follow-up discussion of the report of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization (organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and the United Republic of Tanzania and the International Labour Organization)

A follow-up discussion of the report of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization, hosted by the Permanent Missions of Finland and the United Republic of Tanzania, in collaboration with the International Labour Organization, will be held on Monday, 20 September 2004, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The event is entitled "Fair Globalization: Implementing the United Nations

Millennium Declaration". Invited guests are kindly requested to be seated by 10.45 a.m. For further information, please contact the International Labour Organization Office for the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 697-0150).

Meeting of Commonwealth Foreign Affairs Ministers

There will be a meeting of Commonwealth Foreign Affairs Ministers on Thursday, 23 September 2004, from 2.30 to 5 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology.

Cycle IV of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held between 24 September and 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

Announcements

United Nations Expert Group Meeting to Review Critical Issues Relevant to the Planning of the 2010 Round of Population and Housing Censuses

The United Nations Expert Group Meeting to Review Critical Issues Relevant to the Planning of the 2010 Round of Population and Housing Censuses, organized by the Demographic and Social Statistics Branch, Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. *today*, 15 September 2004, in Conference Room 5; and on Thursday and Friday, 16 and 17 September, in Conference Room 3. [For further information: e-mail socialstat@un.org; Web site <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/demographic/meetings/egm/CensusEGM04>]

General Assembly

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-ninth session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-1942; room S-34201).

Live webcast of the general debate of the fifty-ninth session

The general debate of the fifty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly will be broadcast live and on-demand (in English and original language), from Tuesday, 21 September, to Friday, 1 October 2004, at the following address: www.un.org/webcast.

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements, in one or more of the United Nations official languages, to webcast@un.org for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Second Committee

Background information on the report of the Secretary-General on globalization and interdependence (item 89 of the provisional agenda of the General Assembly) is available at the following address: www.un.org/esa/documents/ac2.htm.

Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

Background information on the integration of the economies in transition into the world economy (pertaining to item 89 (e) of the provisional agenda of the General Assembly) is available at the following address: www.un.org/esa/policy.

General Assembly**Seating protocol for the fifty-ninth regular session**

On Tuesday, 20 July 2004, in accordance with established practice, the Secretary-General drew lots for the purpose of determining which Member State would occupy the first desk on the General Assembly floor. The name drawn was Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; consequently, the delegation of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines will sit at the first desk at the right of the President and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, announces that as per General Assembly resolution 58/213B (A/RES/58/213B), the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados+10) will take place from 10 to 14 January 2005 in Mauritius. The high-level segment will be held on 13 and 14 January 2005. If necessary, it was also decided that two days of informal consultations be held in Mauritius, on 8 and 9 January 2005, to facilitate preparations for the Meeting.

Security Council**Daily informal briefings**

As from Friday, 3 September 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the

Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 14 September 2004

Security Council

5032nd meeting

The situation between Eritrea and Ethiopia

Progress report of the Secretary-General on Ethiopia and Eritrea (S/2004/708)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2004/728, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2004/728) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2004/728) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1560 (2004).

5033rd meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 30 of resolution 1546 (2004) (S/2004/710)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Iraq, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Ashraf Jehangir Qazi, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Iraq.

The Council heard a briefing by Mr. Qazi.

The Council heard a briefing by the representative of the United States, on behalf of the multinational force.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Iraq.

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

1st plenary meeting

Opening of the fifty-ninth session [1]

The President, H.E. Mr. Jean Ping, declared the fifty-ninth session opened.

The President then invited the General Assembly to observe a minute of silence.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/59/350) [115]

The General Assembly took note of the letter from the Secretary-General (A/59/350) concerning 13 Member States which were in arrears in the payment of their financial contributions to the United Nations within the terms of Article 19 of the Charter.

Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee [3 (a)]

On the proposal of the President, the General Assembly appointed 9 members of the Credentials Committee: Benin, Bhutan, China, Ghana, Liechtenstein, Russian Federation, Trinidad and Tobago, United States of America and Uruguay.

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences (A/59/351)

The General Assembly decided to authorize those subsidiary organs of the Assembly listed in the letter of the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences (A/59/351), namely the Committee on Relations with the Host Country, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and United Nations Population Fund, the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund, the Disarmament Commission, the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories and the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, to meet during the main part of the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly.

Statement by the President of the General Assembly

The President made a statement.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Tuesday, 14 September 2004

Convention on the Right of the Child

Committee on the Rights of the Child

Thirty-seventh session

United Nations Office at Geneva

973rd-974th meetings *Consideration of reports of States parties* [4]

The Committee began and concluded the examination of the initial report of Brazil (CRC/C/3/Add.65).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at those meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Ratification: Estonia (13 September 2004)¹

Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations. Tampere, 18 June 1998

Ratification: Sweden (13 September 2004)¹

Convention on the Recovery Abroad of Maintenance. New York, 20 June 1956

Designation of authorities under article 2, paragraphs 1 and 2: Kyrgyzstan (13 September 2004)¹

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Accession: Colombia (14 September 2004)¹

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Ratification: Colombia (14 September 2004)¹

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Accession: Central African Republic (14 September 2004)¹

Treaty Event

Focus 2004: Treaties on the Protection of Civilians

United Nations Headquarters

(21-24 September 2004)

Signature of and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary General

The Treaty Event will take place from 21 to 24 September 2004 at Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 12 March 2004, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those relating to the protection of civilians, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to promptly arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-3942; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

Delegations were also requested to submit copies of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval, or accession, including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, full powers to the Treaty Section by Monday, 13 September 2004, for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. All other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities.

The publication *Multilateral Treaty Framework: An Invitation to Universal Participation Focus 2004: Treaties on the Protection of Civilians* is currently being circulated to all of the Permanent Missions in New York. This publication contains a list of the 24 core treaties relating to the protection of civilians, summaries of key provisions and relevant final clauses, and their status as at 26 March 2004. This information can also be obtained from the United Nations Treaty Collection (UNTC) Web site (<http://untreaty.un.org>). It is further noted that the texts and status of all multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General can be obtained from the above Web site under the heading Status of Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General.

Further information concerning the requirements for full powers and the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession (including model instruments) can be found in the Treaty Handbook, which is also available on the UNTC Web site.

**Treaty Event on treaties relating to transit transport
United Nations Headquarters
(21-24 September 2004)**

Deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary General

The Treaty Event relating to treaties on transit transport will be organized within the framework of the Focus 2004 Treaty Event, which will take place from 21 to 24 September 2004 at Headquarters.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 28 May 2004, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to deposit instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession pertaining to treaties relating to transit transport, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of the Legal Affairs to promptly arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-3942; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

Delegations were also requested to submit copies of instruments of ratifications, acceptance, approval, or accession, including, where appropriate, texts of declarations, reservations and notifications to the Treaty Section by Monday, 13 September 2004, for verification.

Summaries of the key provisions of and benefits to be derived from as well as the texts of the treaties relating to transit transport are currently being circulated to all of the Permanent Missions in New York. These documents are entitled *Issues Note on Selected International Transit Transport Conventions*, and *Selected International Conventions and Agreements on Transit Transport - Compilation of Electronic Texts*. These documents and other relevant information relating to the seminar held on 8 July 2004 are available on the Web sites of the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (www.un.org/ohrls), the Economic Commission for Europe (www.unece.org), and the United Nations Treaty Collection (<http://untreaty.un.org>). The United Nations Treaty Collection also contains the status of the treaties relating to transit transport.

Treaty Event

Rotterdam Convention on the prior informed consent procedure for certain hazardous chemicals and pesticides in international trade
International Conference Centre
Geneva (23 to 24 September 2004)

Deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Secretary-General

The above treaty event will take place from 23 to 24 September 2004 during the first Meeting of the Conference of the Parties at the International Conference Center in Geneva (rue Varembe 15). The event, which will be covered by the media, will be undertaken in a solemn setting. Arrangements will be made for delegations and others to witness the event.

Delegations that wish to deposit instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession to the Rotterdam Convention during the event are advised to contact the Secretariat of the Rotterdam Convention (UNEP Chemicals) at the below address to make the necessary arrangements. Delegations are also requested to submit in advance copies of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, including, where appropriate, texts of declarations, no later than 17 September 2004.

Delegations may also contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs at United Nations Headquarters in New York for information on the above (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

The text and status of the Convention can be obtained from the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site at the following address: <http://untreaty.un.org>.

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Fax. (+41 22) 797-3460
E-mail: esobakina@unep.ch

Other announcements**Security announcement**

A briefing for delegations from the Permanent and Observer Missions regarding protocol, security and organizational arrangements for the forthcoming general debate of the General Assembly will take place *today*, 15 September 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. For further information, please contact Sergeant Yassin Sallam (tel. 1 (212) 963-2687 or 963-7531).

At the request of delegations, the Pass and Identification office hours will be extended to accommodate members of delegations by prior arrangement with Sergeant C. Mammen (tel. 1 (917) 367-5312 or (212) 963-7533).

The Permanent and Observer Missions are reminded that for security reasons, the garage will be closed for parking at 8 p.m. on Sunday, 19 September 2004, and will reopen to authorized vehicles at 4 a.m. on Monday, 20 September 2004. All vehicles must be removed from the garage not later than 8 p.m. on Sunday, until the reopening of the garage on Monday. Remaining vehicles will be towed and stored at the owner's expense.

General information**Web sites***Presidency of the General Assembly:*

www.un.org/arabic/ga/president
www.un.org/chinese/ga/president
www.un.org/ga/president
www.un.org/french/ga/president
www.un.org/russian/ga/president
www.un.org/spanish/ga/president

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www.un.org/arabic/ga
www.un.org/chinese/ga
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www.un.org/russian/ga
www.un.org/spanish/ga

Department for General Assembly and Conference Management:

www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_arabic.htm
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_chinese.htm
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_eng.htm
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_french.htm
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_russian.htm
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_spanish.htm

United Nations Webcast:

www.un.org/webcast

Presidency of the Security Council:

www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency/
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/presidency/
www.un.org/spanish/docs/presidency/

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